

Education Minnesota Voter Information: House District 47B

Dear educator,

Those elected this November will make decisions that directly impact your students, pocketbook, profession and union. Because of this, we wanted to provide some information on where the candidates for Minnesota House in your district stand on the issues educators have said they care about the most.

A candidate's position is sometimes more complicated than a "yes" or "no" answer. We have done our best to represent each candidate in a fair and reasonable way. Unless noted otherwise, the statements were taken from Education Minnesota's candidate questionnaire.

For educators seeking more specific information on their local candidate's positions on Education Minnesota's top priorities of pay, pensions and health care, the questionnaires are available at www.edmnvotes.org.

Will you support voucher programs?	
Ethan Cha Strongly opposes taxpayer dollars for private education. Does not support the expansion of the North Star Promise that would dramatically increase public money going to private universities. Stands in solidarity with public schools.	Dwight Dorau Supports voucher programs that redirect taxpayer dollars from public schools to private schools. ¹ <i>¹ Ballotpedia - Dwight Dorau</i>
How do we make our schools safer for both students and educators?	
Ethan Cha Believes in building lifelong skills through social-emotional learning to regulate emotions. Will work to create incentives for school districts to enforce policy without bias. Advocate for school safety transparency.	Dwight Dorau Believes bringing armed individuals, such as the police, into Minnesota Schools. ² <i>² Dwight Dorau Campaign Facebook, 2/16/23</i>
Do you believe in fully and equitably funding public education, from preschool to postsecondary institutions, with several billion dollars in new education investments?	
Ethan Cha Understands the importance and inaccessibility of college and voted "Yes" to funding for free college and automatic admission. ³ Voted "Yes" to fund Minnesota schools with \$23 billion through 2027 to improve education and resource quality. ⁴ <i>³ Vote Smart HF 2073 ⁴ Vote Smart HF 2497</i>	Dwight Dorau Supports tax cuts and a limited voucher program that will leave students and educators in public schools with fewer resources. ⁵ <i>⁵ East Metro Voter Guide</i>